



**Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
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Examining Group 3711**

**PATENT APPLICATION
Docket No. 15499.398.1**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:	S. Curtis Nye, et al.)	
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Serial No.:	10/722,664)	Art Unit
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Title:	BASKETBALL BACKBOARD)	
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO ADVISORY OFFICE ACTION
MAILED DECEMBER 1, 2005**

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Responsive to the Advisory Office Action mailed December 1, 2005, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 12.

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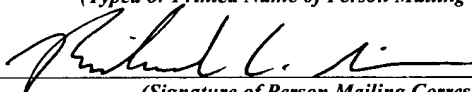
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